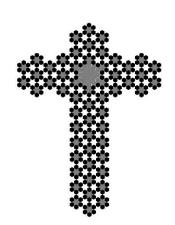
# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 9, 2023 10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II





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# WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

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We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

**Standing, sitting, and kneeling:** Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

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### **GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

**VOLUNTARY** 

Two Settings on SLANE (Be Thou My Vision)

Charles W. Ore Paul Manz (1919-2009)

[During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN H-644

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

ST. PETER

(stanzas 1,2,3,4)

How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast; 'tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary, rest.

Dear Name, the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding-place, my never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace!

O Jesus! Shepherd, Guardian, Friend, O Prophet, Priest and King, my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring.

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### COLLECT FOR PURITY

All

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE H-1

Father, We Praise Thee

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father, we praise thee, now the night is over, active and watchful, stand we all before thee; singing we offer prayer and meditation: thus we adore thee.

Monarch of all things, fit us for thy mansions; banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending; bring us to heaven, where thy saints united joy without ending.

All holy Father, Son, and equal Spirit,
Trinity blessed, send us thy salvation;
thine is the glory, gleaming and resounding through all creation.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray... O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by

loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the

Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

# THE WORD OF GOD

The people sit.

### THE FIRST READING

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Lector The First Reading is taken from Genesis chapter 24...

The servant said to Laban, "I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.'

"I came today to the spring, and said, 'O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" —let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son.'

"Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left."

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went

his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.** 

PSALM 45 Lorraine Brugh

All sing this refrain, the cantor sings the verses:



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Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; forget your people and your father's house. The king will desire your beauty; he is your master, so bow before him. The city of Tyre brings tribute; the wealthiest of the people seek your favor. (Refrain)

All glorious is the princess as she enters; her gown is cloth-of-gold. In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; after her the bridesmaids follow in procession. With joy and gladness they are brought, and enter into the palace of the king. (**Refrain**)

In place of ancestors, O king, you shall have sons; you shall make them princes over all the earth.

I will make your name to be remembered from one generation to another;

Therefore nations will praise you forever and ever. (Refrain)

#### THE SECOND READING

Romans 7:15-25a

Lector The Second Reading is taken from Romans chapter 7...

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight

in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as able.

### THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John Schiavone

All sing this refrain:



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Cantor: I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord; Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit. Alleluia. (**Refrain**)

**THE GOSPEL** Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit.

**SERMON** 

The Rev. Whitney Burton

All stand as able.

### NICENE CREED Please stand.

People We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

AMEN.

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your

truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and

peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use

its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve

Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Anne Keeler, Kaitlyn Statile, Phil Beauchamp, Mary Ratliff, Linda Johnson, Anne Punch, and for the anniversaries this week of

Dick & Charlotte Smedley, and Michael & Lynne Lloveras.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially . . .

[add names from notebook] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time], give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of

your salvation.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector We commend to your mercy all who have died, (especially . . . [add names from

notebook]) and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your

saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

### **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION:**

Please kneel or stand as able.

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (Silence is kept.)

People Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. AMEN.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our

Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the

Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

#### THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY Prayer to Jehovah Molly Ijames

Julian Guini and Cindy Huffman

Guide me O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak but Thou art mighty, hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.

Bread of Heaven, feed me 'til I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream o'er flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong Deliverer, be my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises I will ever give to Thee.

All stand as able.

### THE PRESENTATION

Deacon We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

# PRESENTATION HYMN H-380 (st. 3)

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And also with you.Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfilment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

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heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is My Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanks-giving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People Amen.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant People And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

#### THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-154

David Hurd

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.

If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

### **COMMUNION**

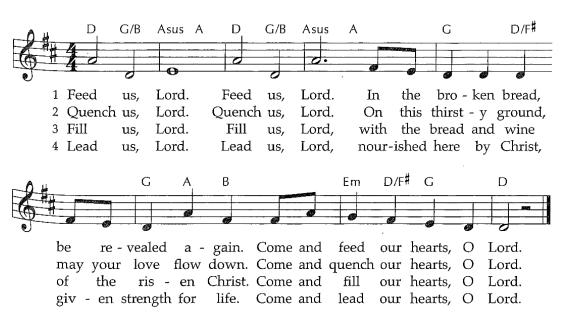
Gift of Finest Wheat

Robert E. Kreutz Julian Guini, Solo

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

Feed Us, Lord

FEED US



### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant

Let us pray...

All

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

# THE BLESSING

THE SENDING HYMN H-636

How Firm a Foundation

**FOUNDATION** 

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word!

What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that to Jesus hath fled for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

### THE DISMISSAL

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

How Firm a Foundation

Jason D. Payne

# **SERVING US TODAY**

Celebrant The Rev. Whitney Burton

Organist/Choirmaster Tom Huffman Crucifer/Server Laurie Toohey

Torch/Chalicists Carolyn Hughes & Tammi Wrest Lectors Laurie Toohey & Carolyn Hughes

Prayers of the People Sally Miller

Ushers Phil & Carol Beauchamp

Building & Grounds Robin Megel

Welcome Table Robin Megel, Lynne Henderson,

Anne Punch

Cantor Julian Guini

### Prayers are requested for:

**The Week of July 2 –** Aaron P, Diane & Scott, Priscilla & Tony, Ed, Betty L, Bill GW, Jason C, Diane M, Michael J, Charlotte, Rosemary, Juliet, Kathy J, Bob S, Judith A, People of Ukraine, Oleana & family, Nancy, Sandy & Missy G, Elliot T, Sean O, Christopher J.

**Celebrations this week: Birthdays –** Anne Keeler, Kaitlyn Statile, Phil Beauchamp, Mary Ratliff, Linda Johnson, and Anne Punch

**Anniversaries** – Dick & Charlotte Smedley, and Michael & Lynne Lloveras.

#### Announcements

**Dunedin Cares School Supply Drive:** We will be helping to collect school supplies this month, along with our regular food drive on July 16 for Dunedin Cares to aid families struggling to cover their classroom lists. Needed items are: snacks, pencils, notebooks, glue sticks, crayons, markers, colored pencils, hand sanitizer, and tissues.

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast in July: We hope you will join us for a continental breakfast sponsored by the Vestry on July 30<sup>th</sup> after each service.

**Drop Your Drawers Collection Results:** 270 pairs of underwear, 28 pairs of socks, \$3221.00 in monetary donations. A heartfelt thanks to all who donated!

**Renovation/Construction Notice:** Please be aware that a dumpster will be located in the parking lot near the Albert St. house as renovations have begun. We expect the project to be completed in approx. 3 months.